

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## LOCAL WOMAN INDICTED FOR PREPARING FALSE INCOME TAX RETURNS

DAYTON, OHIO -- A federal grand jury here has indicted Tynesha Davis, 32, of Dayton, Ohio, charging her 10 counts of aiding and assisting in the preparation and presentation of fraudulent income tax returns to the Internal Revenue Service that contained false wages. Davis was arrested on January 30, 2017 in Dayton and appeared in Federal court for her initial appearance on these charges. Davis was release on bond.

Benjamin C. Glassman, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio and Troy N. Stemen, Acting Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation (IRS), Cincinnati Field Office announced the indictment that was returned on January 12, 2017.

According to the indictment, it has been alleged that between January 2011 and February 2011 Davis prepared false income tax returns for taxpayers that contained wages in excess of their actual earnings. The taxpayers were not entitled to claim these wage amounts.

It has been alleged that Davis prepared 10 fraudulent income tax returns for taxpayers for the 2010 income tax year in which a total of \$123,158 in false wages were claimed.

Aiding and assisting in the preparation and presentation of fraudulent income tax returns to the IRS carries a maximum penalty of three years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

"The beginning of the income tax filing season in upon us and to build faith in our nation's tax system, honest taxpayers need to be reassured that everyone is paying their fair share," stated Troy N. Stemen, Acting Special Agent in Charge, IRS Criminal Investigation, Cincinnati Field Office. "IRS Criminal Investigation, together with the U.S. Attorney's Office, will investigate and prosecute those who violate our tax system. This joint announcement should serve as a warning to anyone who might consider committing income tax fraud."

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kyle Healey and was investigated by special agents of IRS-Criminal Investigation.

An indictment merely contains allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.